



Yeovil Town Supporters Society Ltd (Glovers Trust)

Minutes of meeting, 6th December 2017

The 94 Club, Yeovil

Present

Stuart Burrell (SB)

Ryan Blatchford (RB)

Simon Brimble (SBr)

Rod Jones (RJ)

Brendon Owen (BO)

Andy Richardson (AR)

Dean Mountain (Minutes)

Minutes of previous meeting and Matters arising

The Minutes of the last meeting held in November 2017 were agreed as an accurate record.

The Board discussed recent communications received from YTFC regarding a member of the Glovers Trust Board. After a response from the person in question, a discussion was held in their absence followed by a vote. It was agreed the person in question should remain on the Board. They were reminded of their responsibility to remain professional at all times whilst acting on behalf of the Trust, particularly avoiding inflammatory or aggressive remarks on social media.

Finance Update

As at 6th December the balance in the current account was £6,004.29.

The final accounts for the financial period ending 31st July 2017 are still being prepared by Richard Williams. SBr suggested that these should be complete by the end of the month. DM confirmed that these need to be audited before being submitted to the Financial Conduct Authority, and he has approached organisations to see if they can do this.

DM is not able to access the Trust's online bank account until all previous directors had authorised his addition.

Membership

Current membership stands at 167 adult members and 13 youth members. This is approximately 50% down on last years' membership.

Communications

RB now has access to the communications functions. He plans to do a monthly mailshot, and to push the vacant secretary post. SB reminded him that we have an agreement with the Yeovil Press to promote Trust activities, although this is due for renewal on 8th December.

RB has been looking at social media output of other supporters trusts for ideas and suggestions.

Trust engagement with YTFC

The terms of joining the YTFC Supporters Alliance have been amended. Board members discussed the possibility of joining the group. It was noted that Supporters Direct suggest supporters group meetings reflect on high level issues (such as scrutinising accounts, ownership, etc) rather than day to day problems. After discussion it was agreed to canvas the views of Trust members as to whether we should join the group.

Action: SB to prepare a mailshot to Trust members.

It was noted that David Mills is now described as a 'Supporters Director', even though Supporters Direct state this position should be elected by supporters (ideally from the club's Trust).

10 Challenges

SB has prepared a spreadsheet showing the suggestions received from Trust members for David Mills' 10 Challenges. These will be circulated to Board members to identify the most relevant, before being forwarded to David.

Action: SB to finalise content and circulate prior to publication.

Any Other Business

YTFC has suggested the Trust could purchase a portacabin that could be installed at Huish Park to enable them to have a presence at the ground. David Mills will get back to us regarding costs.

DM stated that the Trust needs to have a secretary in place prior to submitting the Year End accounts.

Action: Board members to approach anyone they think might be interested. To be finalised at the next meeting.

RB suggested approaching the Arrow to see if the 20% food offer could be extended to Exeter City supporters for the 23rd December game.

Action: RB to discuss the extension of the 20% food discount with the landlord at the Arrow.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 10th January 2018